

Westminster, Sup. Ordinances

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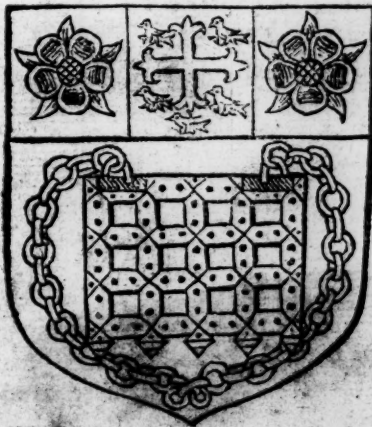
By the Iustices of the Peace for the City
and Liberty of *WESTMINSTER*,

Vpon Monday the 10. day of *March*, 1655.

Concerning the future Licensing of all Inn-keepers,
Vidualers, & Alehouse-keepers, (within the said City and Liberty.)

Putting in execution the Laws and Ordinances for the better
Observation of the Lords-day; And the Laws and Statutes
concerning the Punishment and Conveyance of Rogues,
Sturdy Beggars, and Vagrants, to the place of their birth;
(With a declaration of such persons as are accounted Rogues
by the several Statutes; and the penalties of several persons,
both Officers and private persons neglecting their duty concern-
ing them.)

Setting forth what will be for the time to come expected
from the Church-wardens, Overseers of the Poor, Constables
and others, Inhabitants within the said City and Liberty.)



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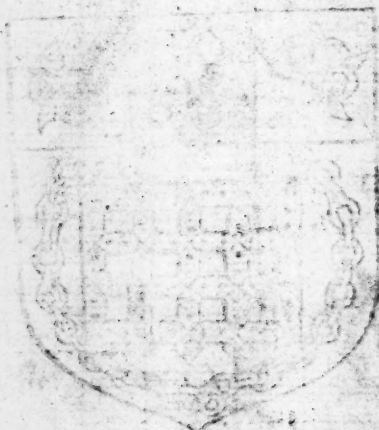
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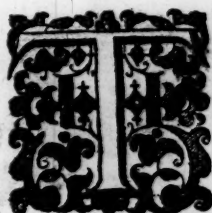
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City, Borough, and
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*At a meeting at the Half-moon in the Strand,
on Friday the 29 day of March, 1649.
Before Sir John Thorowgood Knight,
Thomas Lathum, John Hooker, Edw.
Birkhead, Tho. Fauconberge, George
Manley, and Edward Carter, Esquires;
Justices assigned to keep the publick Peace
within the Liberty of the late Dean and
Chapter of the Collegiate Church of Peters
Westminster, of the City, Borough, and
Town of Westminster, in the County of
Middl. And also to bear and determine
divers Felonies, Trespases, and other mis-
doings committed within the said City and
Liberty: These Articles were agreed upon,
as followeth, viz.*

I.



That the said Justices in their severall Divisions do
consider and report in writing to the next Sessions
what number of Alehouses are needful and sufficient
in each Parish, for accommodation of Labourers
and Travellers.

II.

That all Cellars, Blind- or Ally- and Backward-Ale-
houses be forthwith suppressed, and no more in such places licensed.

III. That all disorderly Alehouses be from time to time suppress'd; and
as the Alehouse-keepers shall dye, and remove their habitations, no new Li-
censes be granted to their Successors in their Houses, unless such Houses be
fitted and seated in very convenient places, until such time as the supernume-
rary Alehouses be reduced to the numbers to be reported needful for each
Parish, as aforesaid.

IV. That the Justices here present do agree, That they will not License
any Alehouse but in their respective Divisions, unless the License be taken and
subscribed by one Justice of Peace of that Division, and those not to exceed
the number to be reported as aforesaid.

V. That

V. That if any new Licenses be granted, the Clerk of the Peace do the first day of the next Quarter-Sessions acquaint the Court with such Licenses, and by whom granted: And the Clerk of the Peace do likewise send to each Justice of the Peace a Catalogue of the names of all Licensed Alehouse-keepers in the Division where such Justice inhabiteth: And also from time to time to send the names of all suppressed Alehouse-keepers.

VI. That no person that hath adhered to, or voluntarily assisted the Enemy against the Parliament, shall either be continued a Victualler, or hereafter licensed.

VII. If any person that is well-affected to the Parliament, shall henceforth desire to be licensed, that he be licensed in stead of any person that he shall discover to be a Delinquent, or to have assisted or contributed to the Enemy, the former Rules subscribed by the Justices being observed.

That the said Justices in their several Divisions do
consider and report in writing to the next Sessions
what number of Alehouses are needed and situated
in each Parish for the accommodation of laborers
and servants.

That the said Justices do cause to be printed and
bound in a book the names of the persons who are
licensed to sell ale, and the names of the persons who
are suppressed.


That all who do sell ale be licensed before the first day of
the next Sessions, and that no new license be
granted after that day, unless the person who
is licensed be a person who is a native of the
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VIII.



At another meeting in the Vestry of Margarets Church in Westm. on Monday the 10. day of March, 1655. Before Sir John Barkstead Knight, Lieutenant of his Highness Tower of London, Sir John Thorowgood Knight, Edward Bulstrode, William Wheeler, Edw. Grosvenor, Francis Blake, Francis White, and Ralph Hall, Esquires; his Highness Justices assigned to keep the publick Peace within the Liberty of the late Dean and Chapter of the Collegiate Church of Peters Westminster, of the City, Borrough, and Town of Westminster, in the County of Middl. And also to bear and determine divers Felonies, Trespases, and other misdoings committed within the said City and Liberty: These Articles aforesaid were agreed upon, confirmed, and assented unto; and also the Articles following were ordered from henceforth to be observed.

1.  Hat all and every licensed Inn-keeper, Alehouse-keeper or Victualler, that shall permit or suffer any Traveller, Waggoner, Butcher, Higler, Drover, or any of their Servants, to come into his, her, or their house after twelve of the clock on any Saturday-night; or shall suffer any person to travel from his, her, or their house, until after one of the clock on Monday Morning, without good and urgent cause to be allowed by some Justice of the Peace; or shall permit and suffer any person or persons to be or remain in his, her, or their houses, contrary to the Law in that case made and provided, and shall be thereof convicted, shall forthwith be suppress'd, and not again licensed, but upon good cause shewed to the Justices of Peace in their Quarter-Sessions.

I I. That all such Inn-keepers, Alehouse-keepers, or Victuallers, as shall at any time hereafter be convicted for profane Cursing or Swearing, Drunkenness, suffering disorders in their houses; gaming, or playing at Billiard-Tables, Shovelboard-Tables, Dice, Cards, Tables, Nine-pins, Pigeon-holes, Bowling-Alley, or Bowling-Green, or any other unlawful game in his, her, or their House, Yard, Backside; or any other place to his, her, or their House belonging; or who hath or shall keep in his, her, or their House, Billiard-Tables, Shovelboard-Tables, Dice, Cards, Tables, Nine-pins, Pigeonholes, Bowling-Alley or Bowling-Green, or any of them, or any other unlawful game; or shall want accommodation of lodging, for Souldiers, Labourers or Travellers, shall be suppress'd, and not again licensed, but as aforesaid.

I I I. That no Bailiff, or his Under-officer, Follower, or Servant, nor any Beadle, be licensed or allowed to keep any Ale-house or Victualling-house; nor they, nor any of them; or any Constable, Brewer, or any Parish-officer, shall be taken as Surety for any Inn-keeper, Alehouse keeper or Victualler, for the performance of the Condition of his Recognizance for Victualling, within this City and Liberty.

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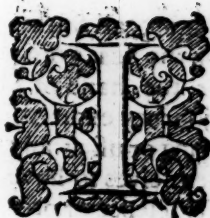
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At a meeting at the Vestry in Margarets Church in Westminster, on Monday the 10. day of March 1634. before the Right Honourable Sir John Barkstead Knight Lieutenant of his Highness Tower of London, Sir John Thorowgood Kt. Edward Bulstrode, Edward Grosvenor, Edward Carey, William Wheeler, Francis Blake, Francis White, and Ralph Hall, Esqs. His Highness Justices assigned to keep the publike Peace within the Liberty of the late Deane and Chapter of the Colegiate Church of Peters Westm. of the City, Burrough and Town of Westm. in the County, of Midd. and also to bear and determine diverse felonies, trespasses, and other misdoings within the said City and Liberty committed.



Is Ordered by the said Justices, that whatsoever Officer shall apprehend any Rogues or Vagabonds, and correct or cause them to bee corrected according to Law, and shall deliver him, her, or them, over with a Certificate of his, her, or their said correction, unto the next Officer, to be conveyed to the place of his, her, or their birth or abroad, as the case shall require, shall have two shillings paid unto him for every such Rogue or Vagabond, by such Officer to whom they shall bee so delivered; and that every such Officer so paying the same, shall receive the like sum of the next Officer, and so from Officer to Officer unto the last Officer of the place in the confines of this City & Liberty; which said last Officer shall be allowed his disbursement therein at the determination of the time wherein he shall serve the same Office, he producing unto the next Justice of the Peace a receipt under the hand of such Officer to whom he paid the same, upon his receipt of such Rogues and Vagabonds, the said receipt being allowed under the hand of the said Justice; and in case any other person not being an Officer shall apprehend any Rogues or Vagrants, and bring him, her, or them unto the Constable or other Officer of the place where they were so apprehended, such Constable or other Officer shall in like manner pay un-

to such person the sum of two shillings for every such Rogue or Vagabond, and upon the performance of his duty in his, her, or their correction or conveyance as aforesaid, shall bee in like manner reimbursed; and in case any of the Officers aforesaid shall refuse to perform this Order, in paying the said mony and conveying any such Rogues or Vagabonds that then upon complaint thereof made by such person or Officer who shall bee grieved therby unto a Justice of Peace, the said Justice is desired to bind him in a Recognizance to appear at the next Sessions of the publike Peace to be holden for this City & Liberty, that such Officer so refusing may be proceeded against according to Law for his said contempt: And it is also Ordered that this Order be forthwith Printed and sent to the Justices of the Peace of each severall division by the Clerk of the Peace of the said City and Liberty, and the said Justices are desired to call together the Church-wardens, and Constables, of the severall Parishes within their respective divisions and to acquaint them with this Order, and to give the same in charge unto them for their observance thereof accordingly; and to the end all Officers, Ministers, and others who are herein concerned, may the better understand their duty, and know the penalty that they incurr for their negligence therein; It is thought fit that the said Justices of the Peace within their said divisions, shall disperse abroad among the Constables a Paper, signifying what persons are by the Law and Statutes adjudged Rogues, with the penalty imposed upon each of the said Officers for his neglect in the performance of his duty, that they may not pretend ignorance when they come to be punished for the same.

The persons hereunder named being above the age of seven yeares are adjudged Rogues by the Lawes and Statutes of this Nation.

All persons calling themselves Schollers going about begging, all Seafaring men pretending losses of their Ships and Goods on the Sea, going about the Countrey begging, having no testimony under the hand of a Justice of Peace or the times limited by the same for his journey expired. All idle persons going about in any Countrey either begging or using any subtil craft or unlawfull Games and Plaies or faining themselves to have knowledge in Physiognomy, Palmistrey, or other like crafty science or pretending that they can tell destinies, fortunes, or such other like fantastical imaginations.

All persons that be or utter themselves to be Proctors, Procurers, Patient-gatherers or Collectors for Goales, Prisons, or Hospitals, all Fencers, Bearwards, common Players of Interludes and Minstrels, wandring abroad, all Juglers, Tinkers, Pedlars, and petty Chapmen, wandring abroad, all wandring persons and common Labourers being persons able in body, using loytering, and refusing to worke for such reasonable wages as is taxed or commonly given in such parts where such persons do or shall happen to dwell or abide, not having living otherwise to maintaine themselves.

All persons delivered out of Goales that beg for their Fees, or otherwise do

do travell begging, all such persons as shall wander abroad begging, pretending losses by fire or otherwise, all such persons not being Fellons, wandering and pretending themselves to be Egyptians, or wandering in the habit, forme, attire of counterfeit Egyptians; All such persons as shall wander up and downe the Country to sell Glasses, are adjudged, deemed, and taken as Rogues, Vagabonds, and Sturdy beggers.

The penalties by Law to bee imposed upon such persons as shall neglect their duty in passing of Rogues,

I. That the Minister of the place shall Register the testimoniall, signifying the day and place of his punishment in a booke kept for that purpose, upon paine of five shillings.

II. That if a Constable, Tithingman, or Headborough, bee negligent in the Execution of his duty herein, hee shall forfeit for every default twenty shillings.

III. That if any person doe in any wise disturbe or let the execution of the Law herein, or making rescuffe against any Officer or person in the execution of the Statute made 39. Eliz. Cap. 4. He shall forfeit for every offence five pound, and be bound to his good behaviour.

IV. That every person or persons that seeth or knoweth any Rogue to resort to his or their Houses to beg, gather or receive any Almes, shall convey him, or cause him to bee conveyed to the next Constable or Tythingman upon paine of ten shillings.

V. That the Constables or Headboroughs, having Warrants directed to them for privy searchers for Rogues, and neglect to give an account in writing under their hands to the Justices of the Peace, at the next meeting, such Rogues as they have passed and conveyed since the last meeting of the said justices, shall incur what fine the said Justices shall please to set upon them, not exceeding forty shillings.

VI. That all fines and forfeitures appointed, or to grow by the Act of 39. Eliz. Cap. 4. except such as bee otherwise limited by the said Act, shall wholly go and be employed for the use of the reparations and maintenance of the House of Correction, & stock and store thereof, or reliefe of the poor; where the offence shall be committed, at the discretion of the Justices of the Peace of the same City and Liberty, and that all fines and forfeitures appointed to grow by conviction of any person, shall by Warrant under the hands and Seals of any two or more Justices of the Peace, &c. be Levied by distresse and sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Offender, which shall be good in Law against such Offender, and that if any of the said Offences shall bee confessed by the Offender, and that the same shall bee proved by two sufficient lawfull Witnesses, before such two or more Justices of the Peace, that then every such person shall forthwith stand and be in Law convicted thereof.

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FOrasmuch as notwithstanding divers Good, Acts, and Ordinances of Parliament, made for the better observation of the Lords day, and the many endeavours used for the due execution of them. It is observed that the said day is very much profaned, and the observation thereof much neglected within this City and Liberty by Vintners, Inholders, Alehousekeepers, Victualers, Cooks, Tobaccosellers, and such like, by suffering drinking, and ipling, in their houses and by Butchers, Fruiterers, Polterers, & others, in selling, and exposing to sale their commodities; and by others, in using unlawful Pastimes, Traveling, and Working in their ordinary Callings and Professions upon the said day, and by Burghmen, Boatmen, and Watermen, Sayling and Rowing upon the River of Thames, and such as employ them; and by such as employ or travell with Chaises, and Sedans, on this day, and by Taylors, Barbers, Millers, Cordwayners or Shoemakers, carrying their Wares, and exercising their Callings upon the same day. Wee have thought fit for the better discovering and suppressing the severall offences aforesaid, and for the more exact execution of the severall Lawes and Ordinances made for that purpose, to appoint, and do accordingly appoint, the persons undernamed Inhabitants within the Parish of

within the said City and Liberty diligently, and by all lawfull wayes and meanes to make discovery of all persons offending against any the Lawes and Ordinances aforesaid, to us or any other of the Iustices of the Peace of the said City and Liberty, or to any Constable or other Officer, who are authorized by any of the said Acts or Ordinances to apprehend such Offenders; and for that end do also will and require, and in the name of his Highnesse the Lord Protector of the Commonwealth of England, Scotland, and Ireland &c. hereby straightly charge & command all such Constables, and other Officers and Ministers, within the Parish of

within the said City & Liberty to whom it shall appertain, to be diligent in the execution of the power & authorities given them by the said Lawes, or any of them; & also to be saying and assisting unto the said persons hereunder particularly named, and every or any of them, in the finding out and causing to be apprehended all and every such person and persons as shall offend in any of the kinds aforesaid, or otherwise contrary to the Lawes aforesaid, and them to bring before us, or some of us or some other of the Iustices of the Peace of the said City and Liberty, to the end such offenders, and every of them may be further dealt withall as to justice shall appertain; and to the end that you and every of you may the better understand what you may and ought to do herein, and will be expected from you the Churchwardens, and Overseers of the poore of your Parish, are hereby required to buy a convenient number of books, containing the Acts and Ordinances made for the better observation of the Lords day, and punishment of such persons as shall therein offend, and to charge their disbursement therein upon their accounts, which shall be allowed them upon the passing thereof. Given under our hands this day of 165

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And to the high Constable, of the said City and Liberty, and all petty Constables, Churchwardens, Overseers of the poore, and to all Governors of the Company of the Watermen, and all other Officers and Ministers within the said City and Liberty to whom it shall concerne.